



**City of Santa Barbara
PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**

**PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
Regular Monthly Meeting**

Wednesday, January 23, 2013

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Wiscomb

ROLL CALL:

Commissioners & Staff Present

Commissioner Megan Alley
Commissioner Chris Casebeer
Commissioner Christina Gonzalez
Commissioner Beebe Longstreet
Commissioner Charlie Trentacosti
Commissioner Lesley Wiscomb
Parks & Recreation Youth Intern Kate Yee
Parks & Recreation Director Nancy Rapp
Asst. Parks & Recreation Director Jill Zachary
Urban Forest Superintendent Timothy Downey
Executive Assistant Karla Megill
Parks Manager Santos Escobar, Jr.
Recreation Programs Manager Sarah Hanna
Neighborhood and Outreach Services Coordinator Pete Leyva
Executive Assistant Jeannette Prusinski

Commissioners & Staff Absent

Commissioner Nicolas Ferrara

Liaisons Present

Planning Commissioner Deborah Schwartz

Chair Wiscomb introduced Planning Commission liaison Deborah Schwartz. Ms. Schwartz expressed that she is looking forward to serving as the Planning Commission's liaison to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

AGENDA ITEM _____

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

Ms. Rapp recommended that the Commission address item 4, Advisory Committee Interview and Appointment, just following Public Comment.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No one wished to speak.

4. Advisory Committee Interview and Appointment - For Action

Recommendation: That the Commission hold interviews and make appointments to the Golf Advisory Committee.

Documents:

- Staff Report

Speakers:

- Staff: Nancy Rapp, Parks and Recreation Director
- Members of the Public: John Craig, Los Paisanos Golf Club

The Commission interviewed Mr. John Craig for appointment to the Golf Advisory Committee representing the Los Paisanos Golf Club.

Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Charlie Trentacosti, and passed 6/0 to appoint John Craig to the Golf Advisory Committee representing the Los Paisanos Men's Club for a term ending December 31, 2014.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

YOUTH COUNCIL REPORT:

Youth Intern Yee provided this report.

Yvette Gil, Santa Barbara Youth Council Chair, and Ian Hall, Second Vice Chair of the Santa Barbara Youth Council, along with several other Youth Council members attended the meeting and were introduced to the Commission.

COMMISSIONER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS:

Commissioner Gonzalez reported on the activities of the Youth Council.

Commissioner Longstreet reported on the activities of the Neighborhood Advisory Committee and the Parks and Recreation Community (PARC) Foundation.

Commissioner Trentacosti reported on the activities of the Golf Advisory Committee.

Chair Wiscomb reported on the activities of the Street Tree Advisory Committee and the Urban Forest Management Plan Technical Advisory Committee. She talked about the Urban Forest Management Community Meetings that will be held on January 24th at 6:00 p.m. at the Faulkner Gallery, and January 26th at 10:00 a.m. at the Louise Lowry Davis Center.

COMMISSION AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

Ms. Zachary provided a brief update on the Urban Forest Management Plan project.

Ms. Zachary briefly talked about the Parks and Recreation Commission's Tree Worksession scheduled for Wednesday, January 30th, at 4:00 p.m. She said the worksession will be held jointly with the Street Tree Advisory Committee.

Ms. Rapp informed the Commission that the Department received \$5,000 from the Santa Barbara Foundation specifically to support the efforts of the Department on the Westside and the Lower Westside. Ms. Rapp said it is nice to have the Department's work recognized. She further said the Department will use some of the money to finish funding some work that Paul Didier and Cliff Lambert have been doing with the United Way and the La Cumbre Foundation to add more picnic tables and equipment in Bohnett Park. She said some of the money will be put into the Youth Culinary Arts Program on the Westside, and some of the funds will support Neighborhood and Outreach Services outreach on the Westside.

Chair Wiscomb asked whether a Health Fair is planned for next year on the Westside at Bohnett Park. Ms. Rapp said that the Health Fair held on the Westside at Bohnett Park was so successful, staff's intent is to hold one on the Eastside next year.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

1. **Summary of Council Actions - For Information**
2. **Approval of Minutes - For Action**

Recommendation: That the Commission waive the reading and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 19, 2012.

Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Charlie Trentacosti, and passed 3/0 to waive the reading and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 19, 2012, as amended.

Chair Wiscomb asked, regarding item 2b (1) in the motion, that it be added what the recommendation is for Weldon Road, which was to conditionally approve the removal request. The maker and seconder of the motion agreed.

Chair Wiscomb and Commissioners Casebeer and Gonzalez abstained.

STREET TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ITEMS

3. Street Tree Advisory Committee Recommendation - For Action

Recommendation: That the Commission:

Documents:

- Staff Report
- Staff PowerPoint

Speakers:

- Staff: Tim Downey, Urban Forest Superintendent

A. Deny the following Street Tree removal request.

1. 2122 Chapala St. - Pinus halepensis, Aleppo Pine - Chrys Kokino

Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Charlie Trentacosti, and passed 6/0 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation to deny the Street Tree removal request at 2122 Chapala Street.

B. Conditionally approve the following Street Tree removal requests.

1. 2234 Chapala St. - Liquidambar styraciflua, American Sweetgum - Lois A. Pigg

Commissioner Charlie Trentacosti moved, seconded by Commissioner Chris Casebeer, and passed 6/0 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation to approve the removal of the tree on the condition the applicant replace the tree with the designated street tree.

2. 80 Skyline Circle - Schinus terebinthifolius, Brazilian Pepper - Andrew Lee

Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Megan Alley, and passed 5/0 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation for the conditional removal of the Street Tree at 80 Skyline Circle and replacement as recommended.

Commissioner Gonzalez abstained.

C. Conditionally approve the following Setback Tree removal requests.

1. 223 W. Islay St. - Tipuana tipu, Tipu - Brigitte Guehr
Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Charlie Trentacosti, and passed 6/0 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation for the conditional removal of the setback tree removal request at 223 W. Islay Street and recommendation for replacement.

2. 229 La Jolla Dr. - Pinus radiata, Monterey Pine - Quality Tree Care for Lisa Carosella

Commissioner Beebe Longstreet moved, seconded by Commissioner Chris Casebeer, and passed 6/0 to concur with the Street Tree Advisory Committee recommendation at 229 La Jolla Drive for the conditional removal and recommendation for replacement.

NEW BUSINESS:

5. **Neighborhood and Outreach Services' Food Distribution Program - For Information**

Recommendation: That the Commission receive a presentation on the Food Distribution Program.

Documents:

- Staff Report

Speakers:

- Staff: Nancy L. Rapp, Parks and Recreation Director; Peter Leyva, Neighborhood and Outreach Coordinator

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:11 p.m., with no further action to be addressed by the Commission,

Commissioner Charlie Trentacosti moved, seconded by Commissioner Beebe Longstreet, and passed 6/0 to adjourn

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy L. Rapp
Parks and Recreation Director

